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By: KURODA et al
Our Ref: 107156-00033

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Further to your telephone message of today, enclosed is a copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed on January 23, 2003, along with a copy of the stamped postcard receipt. Also enclosed is a copy of our fax cover sheet and transmission report of November 14, 2003. Please let me know if you need anything further. We are anxious to have this matter resolved.

Regards,

Martina M. Galentine
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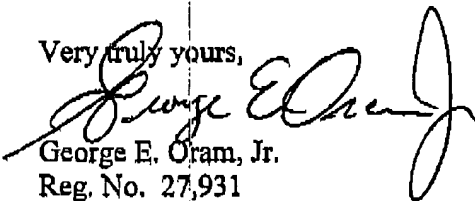
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Very truly yours,


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☒ Preliminary Amendment ☐ Notice of Appeal
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For: OPTICAL DISC, AND READING SYSTEM AND MANUFACTURING
METHOD OF THE DISC**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 23, 2003

Sir:

Prior to the further examination in accordance with the Request for Continued Examination filed December 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 2 as follows. A copy of the marked-up claim is attached to this paper showing the changes, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

2. (Amended) The reading system according to claim 1, wherein the second photodetector is further divided by a third dividing line optically parallel with a radial direction of the optical disc;

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